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Supreme Court Extends Affirmative Action Goals For Women, Minorities

The recent U.S. Supreme Court decision which extends preferences in employment for women and minorities is being hailed as a victory for civil rights groups and a defeat for the Reagan administration.

In a 6-to-3 decision, the Court extended its decisions on affirmative action goals and ruled that employers can select women and minorities over qualified Whites and men in hiring and promotion. The Court's decision upholds a California city's affirmative action plan in rejecting a lawsuit by a man who charged he was sexually discriminated against because he lost a promotion bid to a woman.

Joining Justice William J. Brennan Jr., in the majority opinion were Justices Thurgood Marshall, Harry A. Blackmun, Lewis F. Powell Jr. and John Paul Stevens, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor later agreed with the majority opinion.

D.C. Mayor Barry Appoints New Corporation Counsel

Although he is expected to lose about half his current salary to become corporation counsel for the city of Washington, D.C., Frederick D. Cooke Jr. took it all in stride, maintaining, "I'm one of the fortunate people in town," adding he wanted to give some of his fortune back to the community. Cooke, 40, a native of Washington, D.C., gave up a private law practice to accept the \$68,000-a-year post.

NATIONAL REPORT

University Of Michigan Agrees To Blacks' Demands; Jesse Jackson Assists

Rev. Jesse Jackson used his negotiating skills to help resolve racial unrest at the University of Michigan (UM), meeting with Black students and university administrators to reach agreement on six proposals designed to tackle racial problems on campus.

After Jackson sat with UM President Harold Shapiro and leaders of two Black student groups, he helped reach agreements that include:

- 1) Creating a president's advisory commission to establish affirmative action goals, timetables and enforcement procedures.

- 2) Creating the position of Black vice provost for minority affairs to direct recruitment and retention of Black students and faculty.

- 3) Allocating an independent \$35,000 budget using UM funds for the Black Student Union to promote programs of interest to Black students.

- 4) Appointing a Black senior administrator in the Office of Affirmative Action.

- 5) Adding financial incentives to attract and retain Black faculty and administrators.

- 6) Establishing annual performance evaluations for deans and department heads on how well they have worked toward affirmative action goals.

"We are grateful to you for helping us," President Shapiro told Jackson before more than 4,400 cheering students and faculty.



Suspected murderer and captor of up to six Black women, Heidnik, is taken into custody by police (l). Officials leave North Philly rowhouse with boxes containing body limbs.

Black Women Report Of Sex, Torture, Murder At Hands Of White Philadelphia 'Bishop'

"He handcuffed me to a pipe and said nothing would happen to me if I cooperated." That was how the nightmare in a North Philadelphia rowhouse began for Lisa Ann Thomas, 19, one of four Black women held captive for up to four months, tortured, starved and sexually abused by their alleged captor, 43-year-old Gary Heidnik.

When police raided the two-story house in the impoverished neighborhood, they were confronted by a chilling scene of death and human suffering. Three half-naked, malnourished women were shackled to a sewer pipe in a basement that doubled as a se-

cret torture chamber; and 24 pounds of human limbs were discovered stockpiled in a freezer as well as other body parts in an oven and a stewpot in the kitchen.

The women captives, ranging in age from 18 to 26, told authorities grisly tales of rape, beatings and being forced to survive off dog *Cyril "Tony" Brown was charged with murder in connection with horror house incidents.*





Survivor Lisa Thomas who smiles in an updated photograph, said she lost 50 pounds in captivity; her mother (r) Paulette Thomas, weeps in her Philly home.

food, bread and water. They also told of two women who died in captivity, one electrocuted in a watery pit underneath the cellar's concrete floor, the other killed in a fall.

Heidnik, who is White, and 31-year-old Cyril "Tony" Brown, a Black man who reportedly described Heidnik as his best friend, were arrested and charged with rape, kidnapping and murdering the two women believed killed in Heidnik's house. They were identified as Deborah Dudley, 23, whose body was found in a remote wooded area in New Jersey, and Sandra Lindsay, 24, who authorities said had been butchered and parts of her body left in Heidnik's kitchen.

Heidnik, a psychiatric patient, was convicted in 1978 of kidnapping a mentally-handicapped woman. After his release he became a bishop in his self-made church, the United Church of the Ministries of God.

He apparently lured the Black women to his home by driving expensive cars (a Rolls-Royce and

Cadillac) and flashing wads of money around. Police reported the walls of the house were partly papered with \$1 and \$5 bills, and that they found documents showing Heidnik has a securities account worth about \$500,000. Ms. Thomas told the Philadelphia Daily News she went with Heidnik willingly at first because of his show of wealth.

Police freed the women, identified as Agnes Victoria Adams, 24, Jacquelyn Atkins, 18, and Ms. Thomas, after a fourth captive, 26-year-old Josephina Rivera, bolted from Heidnik's Cadillac one night and sought out police.

Both Heidnik and Brown were being held without bail at JET press time, and police were continuing their search for body parts in Heidnik's basement, garage and yard.

Receiving news of his son's atrocity, Heidnik's 74-year-old father, a former suburban Cleveland councilman, blasted that his son should be hanged. "I'll even pull the rope," USA Today quoted Michael Heidnik as saying.

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Ticker Tape U.S.A.

By Simeon Booker, Washington Bureau Chief

Confidential: A newly-released White House photograph of four men identified them as President **Reagan**, Vice President **Bush**, **Frank Carlucci**, director of the National Security Council (NSC), and an NSC aide. The aide, a Black man, is Gen. **Colin Powell**, the first Black to break into the executive security ranks. His promotion to the agency's deputy directorship, and Cleveland Rep. **Louis Stokes'** promotion to chair of the House Intelligence Committee mark breakthroughs in the murky world of covert operations... How many high school honor roll graduates have to forego college because of the lack of scholarships? *Ticker Tape* wants to encourage Black groups to help this year's crop of seniors. Eligible seniors are urged to send resumes, scholastic records and career ambitions to 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 1301, Washington, D.C., 20006... A Black Foreign Service officer was forced out when **Faith Ryan Whittlesey** became U.S. ambassador to Switzerland two years ago. Appearing at a Hill hearing on the Iran-Contra case, Amb. Whittlesey, a former White House aide was scorned for firing the employee to make way for her own friend. Law-makers didn't bother to check on what happened to **James Kirk**, one of the few remaining Black diplomats. He retired and lives quietly in LaJolla, Calif. Asked by JET about his ouster, Kirk said, "I came back to Washington but nobody was interested in employment discrimination."... After the United States installed its first Black ambassador to South Africa, **Edward Perkins**, the S. African government responded by assigning its first Black representative to the International Monetary Fund and World Bank in Washington. He is 39-year-old **Elias Links**, an economist.

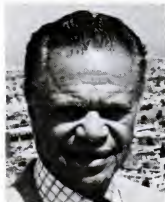
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National Headliners: House Judiciary Committee Chair **Peter Rodino** was the only solon to remember the 75th birthday of **Bayard Rustin**, the ex-tenor in New York City Cafe Society who became a civil rights great by masterminding the 1964 March on Washington...

Nominated for the post of Energy Secretary for Management and Administration was **Lawrence F. Davenport**... Mayor **Lionel Wilson** celebrated his 10th anniversary in Oakland, Calif... Commerce Department staffers under **Samuel Johnson** co-sponsor this year's NAACP's ACT-SO competition in the DeCee schools.



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CELEBRITIES

First Black Police Chief In Greensboro, N.C. Is Used To Being A First



Sylvester Daughtry

Being a first is not unusual for Sylvester Daughtry, 41, of Greensboro, N.C. He recently was named the first Black police chief of the Greensboro Police Department. In 18 years on the department, he became the first Black officer to be a supervisor in the internal affairs division and the first Black to attain the rank of major in the department. He is now the first Black chief in a major North Carolina city.

Blacks Help Keep Some TV Shows On The Air

Black television viewers are boosting the ratings and ensuring the success of several prime-time TV shows, according to a new study.

"Recaptivity by Black viewers can mean the difference between success and failure for those shows having marginal ratings," said Doug Allgood, vice president for special markets for BBDO International Inc., who conducted the study. A large Black audience tunes into "Crime Story," "Stingray" and "The Equalizer" and thus are keeping them on the air, the study said.

Blacks represent 12 percent of the population but represent 14

Commodores' King Arrested In L.A. Investment Scheme

William King, a member of the Commodores, was recently arrested in Los Angeles along with his wife Shirley in connection with a pyramid investment scheme, said a spokesman for the Los Angeles Police Department.



William King

Lt. Fred Reno told JET that the Kings, along with dozens of others were involved in the illegal scheme that called for participants to pay \$1,500 initially in order to receive more money. Participants had to induce others to get involved.

Since the scheme is only a misdemeanor, Reno said those arrested were released right away. They will have to appear in Municipal Court April 16th for arraignment.

Irene Cara Loses Case Vs. Geffen Records Exec.

Singer Irene Cara, best known for such hits as *Fame* and *Flashdance*, recently lost a case she filed with the California Labor Commission against Geffen Records exec Al Coury.



Irene Cara

percent of the prime time television viewership.

Roaches used to crawl across my stove and spoil good food.

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by Barbara Keener



I have something to smile about now. Combat discs!

I live in an old house that has a lot of hiding places. For roaches! I actually moved into the problem when I rented the place. I'll tell you, it didn't matter a bit that I cleaned and sprayed my kitchen every day. I still was unable to get rid of those nasty little pests. Until I discovered the COMBAT® Roach Control System.

Before that, I used to get so angry the way roaches would walk on any food that we left out. Why, they even crawled across my stove and spoiled good food. Yet nothing that I ever did seemed to stop them. And, believe me I have heard of a lot of ways to get rid of roaches.

I tried boric acid, sprays, even professional exterminators. I finally used a strong commercial fogger. I'd fog every room in the house. Even the garage. Then we'd dash out and stay away from the fumes for hours.

When we returned, sure there were some dead roaches. But there was always a filmy mess...on dishes, in cupboards, on the floor...everywhere. Worst of all, the roaches would soon come back. I felt like they were laughing at me!

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Sidney Poitier And Others Linked To Tax Shelter Scam

Three men were recently charged in New York with masterminding a massive tax fraud that gave prominent businessmen and celebrities such as actor/director Sidney Poitier and TV producer Norman Lear millions of dollars in fake tax losses.

Charles Atkins, William Hack and Ernest Grunebaum, well known as promoters of tax shelters, were recently indicted by a federal grand jury. The three are charged with conspiring to defraud the government by setting up "rigged and fraudulent" transactions in government securities and bogus tax deductions.

In addition to Poitier, who reported a \$500,000 loss, and "The

Jeffersons" producer Lear, who claimed a loss of \$1.5 million, others who benefitted from the scheme included CBS President Laurence Tisch, \$1.1 million; his brother Preston, the U.S. Postmaster general, \$480,000; the late artist Andy Warhol, \$600,000; and actors Michael Landon and Lorne Green, \$1 million and \$330,000 respectively. None of these clients will face criminal charges.

Jermaine Jackson Announces Birth Of Third Child, Jamy

Singer Jermaine Jackson and his wife Hazel Gordy Jackson recently welcomed their third child. Their new son, Jamy Jermaine, was born March 17 and weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces. The couple already had a boy and a girl.

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Todd Bridges And Mom Sue Managers For \$2 Million

Actor Todd Bridges and his mother Betty Bridges recently filed a \$2 million lawsuit in L.A. Superior Court against their managers and a law firm that had represented them.

The suit alleges that Bridges and his mother engaged the services of Larry and Marie Risse to perform financial and managerial functions. The two, according to the suit, forged signatures on checks, changed the amounts of checks drawn by the Bridges and used the checks wrongfully to pay for their own expenses and to repay personal loans.

Also charged in the suit, was the firm of Allenstein, Meybert and Perry.

Black Appointed To Ark. Highway Commission, Hired By Arkansas State Univ.

When officials at Arkansas State University learned that Rodney Slater was appointed to the powerful Arkansas Highway Commission, they made him an offer he couldn't refuse.

Slater, 32, former special assistant to Gov. Bill Clinton for minority and community affairs, recently was appointed by Clinton as the first Black to serve on the five-member Highway Commission. He now sits on one of the state's most powerful commissions, his term expires Jan. 14, 1995. About a day after Slater was appointed by Clinton, A.S.U. hired him to be director of governmental relations.



Dr. Louis W. Sullivan (l), president of Morehouse School of Medicine in Atlanta, greets (l-r) NMA President Dr. John O. Brown, Assistant Secretary for Health Dr. Robert E. Windom and NMA Board Chairman Dr. Charles Johnson at closing session of two-day conference on hypertension in Blacks.

HEALTH

Black M.D.'s Convene In Atlanta On Hypertension

Black physicians from around the world gathered in Atlanta recently at the Second International Interdisciplinary Conference on Hypertension in Blacks to discuss ways of combating what they have termed the "silent killer."

Sponsored in part by the National Medical Association (NMA) and its subsection, the Association of Black Cardiologists, the Conference on Hypertension in Blacks focused primarily on ways to "educate Black physicians and their patients on the silent killer and the best methods of treatment," explained NMA Board Chairman Charles Johnson, M.D., of Durham, N.C.

"NMA is also extremely in-

terested in pushing programs to seek out the 50 percent of Black people who do not know they have high blood pressure and to put them on a treatment program," said Johnson.

Dick Gregory Thrilled With Response To New Company, Diet Formulas

After articles

on his new enterprise and diet formulas appeared in JET, Dick Gregory, popular comic/activist and nutrition expert, said he has received more than 2,000 calls from individuals across the nation who want to purchase the products or become distributors.



Dick Gregory

Thrilled with the interest that has been generated in Dick Gregory's Correction Connection, his new Philadelphia-based firm which markets his healthful mixtures, Gregory said "the response has been simply astronomical." Gregory said following articles in the March 30 and April 6 issues of JET, 75 percent of the callers wanted to purchase Diet Gregory's Slim-Safe Bahamian Diet as well as Dick Gregory's Safe Nutritious Correction Connection, which combats the nutritional losses caused by nicotine, caffeine and drug and alcohol abuse. The rest were interested in becoming distributors for the firm, the nation's first major Black multi-level marketing company. →

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MAIL CALL: Residents of Lincoln, R.I., recently received 1,000 tattered and yellowed personal checks, bills, personal letters and college applications dating back two years after 100,000 pieces of mail were dug up on property once-owned by a part-time mail carrier. The salvaged mail was found March 8 buried in bundles behind a home which once belonged to Richard A. Brindle, who worked for the post office from 1983 to 1986. He has been charged with destruction of mail, a felony, and each piece was hand delivered with a note of apology.



FLOATING JAIL: To relieve overcrowding in city jails, New York City officials spent \$4.4 million to renovate a former Staten Island ferryboat that will become the nation's first floating jail. Anchored at Rikers Island, the floating jail will house 162 low-risk men near the end of their sentences. Plans are already underway to renovate another ferry at a cost of \$3.8 million to dock at the island.



DIET BRIGADE: In an effort to take on a more healthful lifestyle, 10,000 residents of New Mexico are participating in the nation's first statewide diet plan to lose an aggregate 25 tons. The first plan of action in the Eat Right New Mexico diet was to give up cigarettes. During the 10-week period participants will also avoid red meat

and sugar, start an exercise program, reduce alcohol intake, eat only one helping of food and eat more vegetables and grain to lose at least five pounds to have a healthier, non-smoking New Mexico by 1997.



GREAT GATOR DEBATE: A restaurateur in Sunnyvale, Calif., could be in big trouble if the "mock" alligator he has been serving turns out to be the real thing. Harold Welsh risks up to a \$5,000 fine if authorities determine his "Mardi Gras" special is alligator instead of caiman, which is similar to but not protected as an endangered species as is alligator. Officials, who were acting on a complaint from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, are analyzing the dish and until they come up with a conclusion, Welsh said he'll continue selling the popular, delectable edibles.



PHONE FOUL-UP: An Oakland, Calif., man had to find two extra jobs to pay the \$5,313.44 tab Pacific Bell billed him, but his telephone service was still cut off. The man's son, 15-year-old Kevin Jones had run up the bills with hundreds of calls to "chat" and pornographic toll numbers for up to 10 hours at a time. Since the telephone company has a policy of not terminating or charging service for first-time service offenses by an unsupervised minor, they apologized to the family.



People



* **H. Patrick Swygert**, vice president for university administration at Temple University in Philadelphia, was recently appointed the state's representative on the Board of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority by Gov. Robert P. Casey.

* **Dyahanne Ware**, staff attorney with Encyclopaedia Britannica, Inc., in Chicago since 1985, was recently appointed legal counsel of Encyclopaedia Britannica USA (EBUSA) in the city.



H. Patrick Swygert



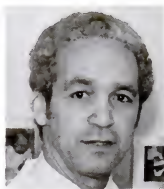
Dyahanne Ware

* **Sharon B. Miller**, attorney and vice president of Michigan National Bank-Detroit Region, was recently elected chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Detroit Urban League. She is its first Black woman chair.

* **Emelda Cathcart**, a noted administrator and assistant director of Time Inc.'s corporate contributions department since 1982, was recently named director of corporate contributions at the New York-based firm.



Sharon B. Miller



Augustus White III

* **Willis Bright Jr.**, former manager of community economic development and corporate responsibility activities of Honeywell, Inc. and its foundation in Minneapolis, has joined the staff of Lilly Endowment Inc., in Indianapolis as program director of community development.

* **David Lampel**, senior vice president of Inner-City Broadcasting in New York, was recently sworn in as a member of the Board of Directors of the Newark Watershed Conservation and Development Corporation.

* **Dr. Augustus White III**, orthopedic surgeon-in-chief at Boston's Beth Israel Hospital and professor of orthopedic surgery at the Harvard Medical School, has been named president-elect of the Cervical Spine Research Society, an international clinical and research organization.

* **Lisle Carter Jr.**, a member of the Washington, D.C., law firm of Verner, Lipfert, Bernhard, McPherson and Hand, was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Prudential Insurance Company.

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Jackson opened his office in Greenfield, Iowa, an agricultural town.

POLITICS

About 100 townspeople, children and farmers turned out to hear Jackson. He told them: "Here in the heartland of America, we have farmers forced off their

Jesse Jackson Takes First Step Toward Another Run For President Of United States

D. Michael Cheers
Text and Photos

They stood squinting in the noon Iowa sun at the 6-foot-2-inch figure. A collection of children, farmers and townspeople, they all wanted to get an up-close and personal look at the reverend who has ambitions of becoming president of the United States.

And even though some of them heard Jesse Jackson give a "super" speech on Super Bowl Sunday earlier this year, they were nonetheless delighted to hear this





At office opening, Jackson is surrounded by local schoolchildren and supporters (l-r) Anita Howe, Connie Zeitler and Jay Howe, co-chair of the Adair County Democratic Party.

potential Democratic presidential candidate talking about the “eco-

nomie violence” that has gripped this state.

lands and businesses squeezed out of existence. We are all in this together, and together we will find a way out.”





Jackson greets Dubuque, Iowa, Mayor James Brady (l), and watches Mt. Airy High School students register to vote.

White Farmer Says of Jackson: 'He's Making Sense'

"He's making sense," said one farmer. "I haven't heard many other candidates addressing the concerns of the ordinary man."

Jackson, who in 1984 made only one stop in this caucus state, has come courting the ordinary man early. And to prove that he really

cares and understands the economic problems of this state, he decided to open his exploratory office in Greenfield, an agricultural community of 2,200 people located about 50 miles southeast of Des Moines.

"Why Greenfield?" he asked in a speech at the recent opening of his office. "The people of Greenfield care deeply about the destiny of our nation. The people of Greenfield represent the hope in America and the redemption of the soul of America. Greenfield is the victim of the worst economic violence and yet a champion of the best of the human spirit."

In his address, the civil rights leader went on the attack saying the Reagan administration has failed to provide adequate housing for the homeless and he was equally critical of U.S. corporations that invest abroad and close factories here in the states.

In his "Invest in America" oration, Jackson chats with Howe and wife, Anita.





At headquarters, Jackson told guests that economic justice in Greenfield was the same as social justice in Selma, Ala. in the 1960s.

tion, he said: "There is something very wrong with an economy where Wall Street's profits soar while working people scramble; where the government talks about excellence, but cuts back on education, pays more attention to guns for Central America than jobs for Middle America."

Jackson said that the "site of the fight" should not be in Howard Beach, N.Y., or Forsyth County, Ga., "but at plant closings and farm auctions." Before his stop in

Greenfield, Jackson spent time in Davenport, Waterloo and Mt. Ayr. At St. Ambrose College in Davenport and at Mt. Ayr High School, he sounded familiar themes of "Say No to Drugs and Alcohol" and he preached on the consequences of unwanted pregnancies.

Also during his three-day swing through the state, he met with UAW members and with the leadership of the National Farmers Organization.

Minutes before taking off for another campaign stop, Jackson poses with his airplane pilots Stan Campbell (l) and Oscar J. Braynon.





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East St. Louis Mayor In Dispute Over Election

A monkey wrench has been thrown into the mayor's race in East St. Louis, Ill.

Clyde Jordan, president of the East St. Louis School Board, unofficially lost to incumbent Mayor Carl Officer in the recent primary 6,125 votes to 7,160. Seeking a new election, he contends, however, that some of the people that voted for Officer signed petitions for independent candidates running in the general election and should not have been allowed to vote.

The matter was turned over to a Circuit Court judge but a ruling had not been made by JET press time.

"I'll be here the next four years ...because I think the Lord took care of me in the last election... and will take care of me in this situation, too," Officer told JET.

NAACP Criticizes Florida Gov. Martinez On Hiring

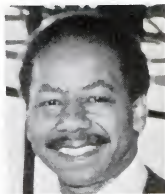
NAACP leaders in Florida charged that Republican Gov. Bob Martinez is "turning the clock back" to the segregation era because of his hiring practices.

Martinez has not appointed any Blacks to top administrative positions since taking office in January. The Black with the highest post, Inspector General Ray Lambert, soon will accept a job in Washington, D.C.

Martinez appointed a Black press secretary, Doug Hoyte, who resigned recently when it was disclosed that he owed about \$10,000 in unpaid child support.

Black Attorney In Line To Head Chicago Bar Assn.

Chester L. Blair, the former president of the all-Black Cook County Bar Association in Chicago, was recently nominated to a key



Chester L. Blair post within the Chicago Bar Association that could eventually lead to him becoming the first Black to be named president of the lawyer group.

Blair, 58, was voted to become second vice president in a 17-0 vote by the CBA's nominating committee. If there are no challenges to his appointment, he will assume the post in June. Then Blair would be in line to assume the one-year presidency of the organization, which was founded in 113 years ago, in June 1989.

Arizona Gov. Stirs Rift By Denying Racial Slur

Maintaining he did not utter a racial slur when defending *The Making of America*, a book he plans to use in the U.S. Constitution bicentennial celebration, Arizona Gov. Evan Mecham said, "As I was a boy growing up, Blacks themselves referred to their children as pickaninnies. That was never intended to be an ethnic slur." Art Hamilton, a Black House minority leader in Arizona, differed with Mecham. "Anybody who suggests that the term 'pickaninnies' is OK is wrong, wrong, wrong."

EDUCATION

D.C.'s Banneker High Will House NBL School Chapter

A predominantly Black high school in the nation's capital named for Benjamin Banneker, the Black who designed the streets for the city, will house the first high school chapter of the National Business League.

NBL President Arthur E. Teele selected the Banneker Academic High School as the location of its first high school chapter in the country.

Labor Secretary Brock Cites Blacks' Need For Skills

Labor Secretary William E. Brock maintains the notion that high-paying industrial jobs are being replaced by low-paying service jobs is a "myth" and notes that of the 12 million new jobs created since 1982, more than 50 percent pay \$10 per hour or more while there's been a 25 percent decrease in jobs paying the minimum wage or less.

Atlanta U. Grads' Wages Top State MBA Schools

Administrators at predominantly Black Atlanta University can beam at a report that shows the average starting salaries of their business graduates last year topped those of other Georgia state institutions that offer MBA degrees.

The average starting salary of Atlanta University business graduates was \$36,147, which ranked 19th out of some 250 colleges that submitted the salary information to MBA magazine.

Futrell Says Hiring Blacks Will End Teacher Shortage

The president of the nation's largest teaching organization urged the government to give minority recruitment its top priority in solving the growing teacher shortage.



Mary Futrell

In a speech in the nation's capital, Mary Futrell, president of the National Education Assn., warned of a virtually-White teaching faculty in America's public school systems at the end of the century.

She said that American public schools will be 35 percent minority but their teaching staffs will be only 5 percent minority. Emphasizing the shortage of teachers, particularly Black ones, Futrell said, "to pursue excellence without pursuing equity is to guarantee that we shall end up with neither one."

L.A. Adopts Plan To Get Jobs For High School Grads

School officials in Los Angeles recently voted to support a plan that would guarantee high school graduates jobs. The plan is patterned after the one currently in use in the Boston area where the business community has united to combat illiteracy and a high dropout rate.

The L.A. system is dominated by minorities and has an alarmingly high dropout rate.

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SOCIETY WORLD

COCKTAIL CHITCHAT: After the screening of *Dark Eyes: Visions of Black Women*, well known actress **Ruby Dee** headlined the group of Black women filmmakers honored at a gala reception hosted by the D.C. Lottery and Sojourner Productions, Inc., publisher of the Black Film Review, at the Kennedy Center Atrium. Other honorees were **Shirikiana Gerima**, **Saundra Sharp** and the Sankofa Group. Successful coordinator **Willa A. Taylor** was showered with commendations... While visiting the nation's capital, Ruby Dee autographed copies of her exciting book of rhythms, rhymes and reasons titled *My One Good Nerve*... More than 50 members of the Chums, Inc., jetted across country from points east, north and south to California for the installation ceremonies and activities of the Los Angeles chapter at the plush Marina International Hotel in Marina Del Rey. Among officials attending were **Panjola B. Priest**, national president of Baltimore, and **Lucille J. Gayle**, national vice-president of Washington, D.C. **Melba Wilson** is the Los Angeles chapter prexy... The day at the Laurel, Md., race track, which included lunch in the beautiful Turf Club House, was sponsored by the Potomac Maryland Links, and was a fund-raiser for their adopted school project. It was a monetary loser for most of the racing fans who placed bets. President **Audrey Hinton** and chairperson **Margaret De Lorme** wished "better luck next year"... A September wedding is planned for **Zelda Shannon** and **Robert Percy Bentley**, of Philadelphia... Former Georgia State Sen. **Julian Bond** will be delighted when daughter, **Julia Michelle**, appears this month with other debutantes from the Peachtree Suburban Chapter of Links, and handsome son **Jeffrey** will be among the young men presented at the gala.



■ **Lots Of Love:** Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Alston look forward to years of love and joy after recently exchanging wedding vows at Trinity Baptist Church in Hackensack, N.J. The bride, the former Doris Kelly, is vice president of the Merrill Lynch research department in Manhattan. The bridegroom, a professional hairstylist, owns and operates a hair salon in Englewood, N.J.



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Drew U. Medical Study Focuses On 75 Twins

The hypertension department at Charles R. Drew University in Los Angeles and the local affiliate of the American Heart Association recently gathered 75 sets of twins from infants to seniors to participate in the Twin Research Program being conducted by the university.

Researchers in the hypertension department have been investigating how environment and genetics contribute to high blood pressure and heart disease by studying Black and other minority twins. Participation of the twins in the research will offer valuable assistance in learning the causes of heart disease and hypertension (leading causes of death among Blacks) and what can be done to prevent and treat them.

Black Doctors Have Higher Rate Of Heart Disease

Black physicians are ten times more likely to suffer a heart attack than their White counterparts, a study of heart disease shows.

Higher income and status are not a shield against heart disease for Blacks as they appear to be for Whites, officials declared.

The study compared 313 Black doctors who attended Meharry Medical College, a predominantly Black school in Nashville, with 470 White doctors who attended Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in Baltimore. It found that 4 percent of the Black doctors suffered a heart attack, compared with .4 percent of the Whites.

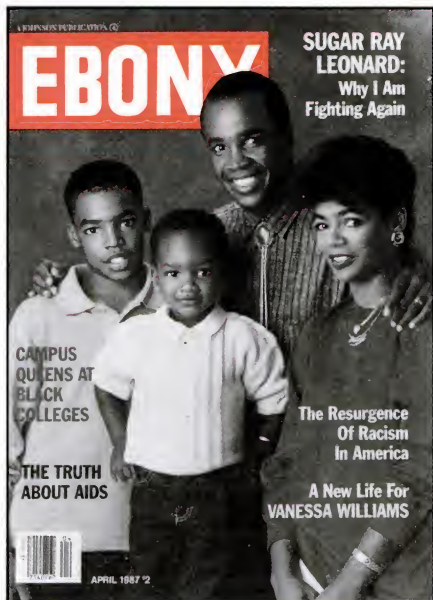
Forty-eight percent of the Black doctors also had high blood pressure, compared with 17 percent of the White doctors, the figures show.

Men Having Surgery To Reduce Breasts

Many men—plagued by fatty chest deposits as a result of obesity, heredity or medication—are turning to plastic surgery to reduce the size of their breasts.

Dr. John Harrison, a plastic surgeon in Detroit, estimates he has performed about 50 cosmetic breast reductions on men during the past year. "A lot of men have this problem," he said. He concluded more and more men are coming in to have surgery to remove the flab because "they want their breasts reduced for a more youthful appearance."

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Huey Newton is taken into custody before beginning prison term.

LAW AND JUSTICE

Huey Newton Sentenced For Firearm Possession

Telling a Superior Court judge in Oakland, Calif., that "You have broken me financially and broke up my family," former Black Panther leader Huey Newton was recently ordered to begin a prison term for possessing firearms.

Newton, 45, faces a minimum of 16 months and maximum of three years for his conviction in 1978 on a charge of possession of a firearm by a former felon. The conviction stems from an incident in 1974 when he was accused of pistol-whipping his tailor, Preston Calins. During the investigation, police found two guns in Newton's apartment.

Newton's latest sentence came a day after U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit rejected his

request for a stay of his sentence.

Leading the Panther Party to prominence in the mid-1960s, Newton had been convicted of felony assault with a deadly weapon in 1964.

Prisoners Sue; Say Female Guards Watched Them Undress

Two convicted robbers sued the Pennsylvania Dept. of Corrections, contending two female guards at the State Correctional Institution watched them undress.

Walter Story, a convicted bank robber who now lives at a halfway house in Pittsburgh, and Carl Johnson, a convicted robber and kidnapper, said female guards watched them undress in their cells, the shower and gym.

Four of the prison's 215 guards are women. The facility houses 1,600 men.

Group Cites Racism In Death Penalty Sentence

A worldwide human rights organization charged the use of the death penalty in the United States is arbitrary, racially biased and clearly violated international treaties.

Officials of Amnesty International said evidence from a probe suggested the penalty had become "a horrifying lottery" in which politics, money, race, and where a crime was committed played a more decisive role in sending a defendant to the death chamber than the circumstances of the crime itself.

Blacks convicted of murdering Whites were found more likely to be sentenced to death.

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Words of the Week

Don King, boxing promoter, revealing how he views boxing on a recent episode of the "EBONY/JET Showcase": *"Boxing is the humble sport. Usually the underprivileged, the downtrodden, the poor and denied is part of the boxing arena. I think boxing is the last vestige of the free enterprise system. It's a system of supply and demand where you go by the merits of your ability and your talent."*

Randy C., popular Flint, Mich., comic, giving his formula for a successful marriage: *"Actually, the formula for a good marriage is conversation. Never have it."*

Tim Raines, a National League batting champion and free agent who is formerly of the Montreal Expos, summing up his current contract negotiations: *"It's like going to a car lot and trying to get a Mercedes for the price of a Toyota."*

Rev. Hosea Williams, civil rights activist, stressing his grassroots approach to fighting for civil rights: *"Some civil rights leaders want to 'take the movement out of the streets and into the suites, but if there are any other tactics that work, I don't know them."*

Grover Washington Jr., acclaimed saxophonist, pointing out in the April issue of EM what makes a good musician: *"In my definition of music everybody should be able to play all kinds of music if they're called in for a session. That's what makes a complete musician. In my house we listen to Jean Carne, Muddy Waters and Charlie Parker."*

Ruth Brown, legendary R&B vocalist and actress who is currently starring in the off-Broadway hit musical *Staggerlee*, on why she avoids elaborate production in her nightclub shows: *"I'm just a flat-footed singer. I'm not geared to backup singing, choreography and heavy instrumentation. It seems that the technology limits the performance. Once you're locked into a situation, you can't improvise, you can't change, you can't move."*



Don King



Hosea Williams



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Ruth Brown



THE WEEK'S BEST PHOTOS

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■ **Congratulations, Richard!:** After being honored for his generous contributions to fight famine in Africa, comedian/actor Richard Pryor is congratulated by actress Sheryl Lee Ralph. Pryor was honored in Los Angeles by BARAC at its annual awards celebration.



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BEAUTY OF THE WEEK



Diana Borgstahl of Delta, Ohio enjoys outdoors sports. The 5-foot-6 model does water skiing, downhill skiing and sailing.

Charles Gabriel



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■ **Treating The Doctor:** Chicago Mayor Harold Washington hands Julius "Dr. J" Erving a doctor's bag filled with great memories of the Windy City as the Philadelphia 76ers star makes his final "house call" before retiring after 16 years of practice in the science of basketball.



Ronnie Phillips

■ **Celebrated Contributors:** Singer Mary Wilson and comedian/businessman Dick Gregory enjoy fete at the Hyatt Regency in Los Angeles sponsored by BARAC (Black American Response to the African Community) to honor celebrities for their generous gifts.

SPORTS

Karatemia II Features Four World Title Fights

A record four world title fights, featuring eight champions, has karate fans excitedly looking forward to April 25 when Karatemia II explodes in Atlanta.

Headlining the show that promises more action than last year's spectacular, are Atlantan Jerry Rhome and Memphis star Anthony "Amp" Elmore. Rhome, who last year captured the Professional Karate Commission's (PKC) world heavyweight title, defends his belt against World Karate Assn. champ James Waring. Elmore, holder of the PKC superheavyweight and KICK heavyweight world titles, battles former world champ and current U.S. champion "Bad" Brad Hefton.

Casem Greets Southern Gridders With Hard Work

Looking for a head football coach, Southern University didn't have to look any further than in its own back yard as Marino Casem, formerly the school's athletic director, returned to his first love.

A 22-year veteran coach at Alcorn State University, Casem will serve as head coach and athletic director in his second season at Southern.

Holding spring practice drills recently, as scouts from six pro teams paid them a visit, Casem told his team, "It won't be a hard philosophy. Just one of hard work ... Some say that's discipline, I

say it's commitment."

Clippers Star Agrees To Surgery After Pay Stops

Veteran forward Marques Johnson, who was lost to the L.A. Clippers since last November when he suffered a neck injury, agreed to have surgery recently when the team notified him they were stopping payments on his \$1.3 million salary.



Marques Johnson

Johnson, a 10-year veteran, was in his third season with the NBA's worst team when he accidentally collided head first into the midsection of teammate Benoit Benjamin. Having ruptured a cervical disc, he was to undergo spinal-fusion surgery.

The 6-foot-7 star, who had averaged 20.4 points per game over his career, was warned that without the surgery the owners believed he was not trying to get well and the team considered him "permanently disabled."

Georgetown's Thompson Wins UPI Coach Of Year

John Thompson, who in 1984 coached Georgetown University to the NCAA championship, and this year led his team to the Southeast Regional finals, was named United Press International's coach of the year.

Thompson, a former member of the Boston Celtics, guided Georgetown to a 28-5 record in his 15th season there.

Navy Basketball Star Satisfied By Compromise

Navy basketball star David Robinson, who envied fellow serviceman Napoleon McCallum when the Navy allowed the latter to serve his time and still play pro football, is satisfied with a compromise worked out for him.

Making the prospect of turning pro all the sweeter, Robinson's senior season at Navy produced 28 points and nearly 12 rebounds per game and the prestigious Eastman Award as college basketball's player of the year.

Robinson, who grew six inches in two years while attending the Naval Academy and playing basketball there, was told his height would preclude him from serving on a ship and flying aircraft.

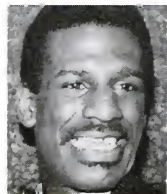
Therefore, the Navy cut his service time after graduation from five years to two. In addition, the 7-foot-1 star may be allowed to play in the NBA as early as next year on a part-time basis.



Robinson appears in command displaying his Eastman Award with a smile.

"I'm glad the decision is over and I know what I'm dealing with," said Robinson, who anticipates playing pro basketball after the 1988 Olympics and Pan American Games.

Spinks Cleared To Fight, But Cooney Camp Is Quiet



Since a New York State Supreme Court Judge cleared the way for former IBF champion Michael Spinks to fight contender Gerry Cooney, a possible fight date of June 15 has been offered by Spinks' camp.

But "Great White Hope" Cooney, who has been rarely seen since losing in 1982 to Larry Holmes, has been quiet about the upcoming proposed bout. While speculation has it that Cooney is disinterested since Spinks was stripped of the IBF title, a spokesman for Spinks said, "it's just the opposite. They want to fight Michael. Everyone still considers Michael THE heavyweight champion regardless of the IBF."

The judge noted, "since there is no IBF champion, I see no reason to continue the injunction" against a Spinks vs. Cooney fight.

Tyson Taps Ex-Champ Thomas As His Next Foe

Undisputed heavyweight champ Mike Tyson, who promised to stay just as busy as owner of the WBA and WBC titles as he was as a challenger, is looking forward to May 30 when he is to fight Pinklon Thomas.

Tyson, who crammed 29 fights and two titles into a two-year career and won't turn 21 until June 30, will be facing a stiff opponent in Thomas, the former WBC champion and man originally predicted to be the unification title winner. Tyson's record is 29-0 with 26 knockouts, while Thomas is 28-1-1 with 18 KOs.

■ **Insulted By Injury:** N.Y. Knicks' star center Patrick Ewing looks dejected as he watches teammates during a recent game. The \$30 million second-year player will be lost for the remainder of the season with strained ligaments and a sprained knee. He missed most of last season with injuries but still won Rookie of the Year honors.



Pro Tennis Seeks Black Players For USA's Future

The U.S. Tennis Assn. (USTA), disappointed in recent years in the continuing decline of America as a power in pro tennis, announced it will actively seek and develop new tournament players, especially in "disadvantaged areas."

Noting the athletic skills of basketball stars like Julius Erving, Michael Jordan and Dominique Wilkins, USTA President Gordon Jorgenson agreed with the idea that either of them could have been just as good at tennis given early exposure to techniques of the game.

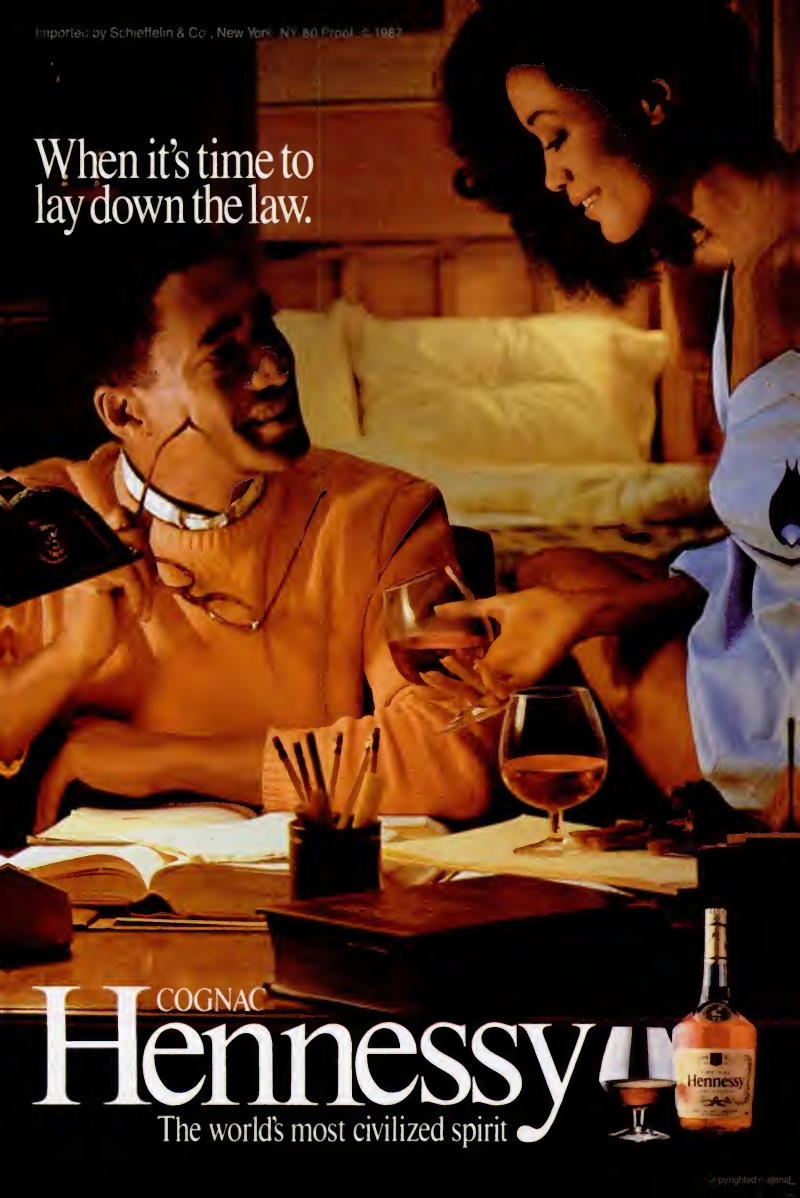
Rod Thorn, an NBA official, offered, "Imagine what a guy like Doc could do if he had spent his early years playing tennis instead of basketball. When the great Black athletes start playing tennis, they're going to change the whole game," he told the USA Today.

Arthur Ashe, the only Black American male inducted into the tennis Hall of Fame, had years earlier examined his singular status. "In order to reach the top, you've got to begin playing tennis during the formative years and single-mindedly pursue tennis," explained the former star. "No basketball, football or any other sport. You've got to divorce yourself from the Black community for a while...Black athletes don't seem to want to do that."

Several of the game's White tennis stars agreed that Blacks could excel in tennis with early exposure and dedication.

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Calvin Peete

recently in Ponte Vedra, Fla.

Peete, who said he was unaware that he was expected to tee off on a recent Monday morning in the

Veteran golfer Calvin Peete, who has been laboring through the 1987 season on the Pro Golfer's Assn. tour, made up for

lost time re-

Epton Stats Match, noted that he arrived on the first green an hour late—by helicopter.

When the nine hole match ended, Peete was \$105,000 richer thanks to his \$75,000 victory, \$25,000 for leading the PGA in greens hit during regulation last year, and another \$5,000 for keeping the ball on the green in this select tourney. Through eight tournaments this year, Peete had won only \$45,000.

"The helicopter ride from the airport was all the warm-up I got," (or needed) noted Peete.

Darryl Dawkins Tells His Story In New Book



Darryl Dawkins

The 11-year veteran, whose backboard-breaking slam dunks brought in a new era of rules and coined a dictionary of his own trademark phrases including "Lovetron" and "Chocolate Paradise," recently authored a book titled after his nickname—*Chocolate Thunder*.

Double D, as he's also known, tells his different story of the NBA life and how he feels playing with stars like Kareem, Dr. J and Moses. The former 76ers star, who now anchors the N.J. Nets, is newly married.

Darryl Dawkins may not have ever made it to college, but he has endured as one of pro basketball's biggest stars—at 6 feet 11.

Survey Says Nation's Kids Favor Bulls' Jordan, Bears

Chicago Bulls basketball star Michael Jordan, reportedly the heir-apparent to retiring superstar Julius Erving, received a boost in the right direction recently when a nationwide poll of youngsters named him among three finalists for the Outstanding Male Athlete award.

Joining the proud Jordan on the prestigious list were Chicago Bears quarterback Jim McMahon and N.Y. Mets star outfielder Darryl Strawberry.

After getting the nod from kids under 17 who voted him into the select group, Jordan beamed, "I think this is going to be more treasured than any other award I have because it's the admiration from young kids, my peers, actually, and I'm very thankful."

In addition, the Chicago Bears joined the L.A. Lakers and N.Y. Mets as the kids' favorite sports teams.

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Johnny Carson's Son Must Pay Support For Black Child Who Was Living On Welfare

TV talk show host Johnny Carson's 36-year-old son, Christopher Carson, has been ordered to pay \$125-a-week temporary child support for his 8-month-old Black daughter.

"The child is living in a hovel," said Jeffrey Miller, the attorney for the child's mother. "I mean she is living in abject poverty. I have photos of this child with rodent bites."

Christopher Carson was ordered by a judge in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., to start paying the temporary child support for the baby, Christal Love Carson. Miller said he would seek more support before a final hearing scheduled in July.

"This kid's got to be taken care of," said Miller, who represents Tanena Love Green, 35, who is Black. "Since Chris Carson has admitted being the father, the only issue is money. He's got it and my client doesn't." The child is currently being raised on welfare.

Christopher Carson's attorney, Herbert Stettin, said Ms. Green is trying to force his client to support her and two teen-age children from two prior marriages.

Ms. Green, who is an unemployed model and entertainer, was quoted by Miller as saying that Christopher Carson promised to take care of her and the child.

However Christopher Carson withdrew his financial and moral support about four months after the child was conceived, according to Miller.

Ms. Green said she believed that entertainer Johnny Carson opposed his son living with a Black woman and influenced him to end his nine-year relationship with her. "I think if I had blond hair maybe and blue eyes, his family would accept me and their only grandchild," said Ms. Green.

Christopher Carson testified in court that he owns two cars and a \$119,000 house in Ft. Lauderdale and has \$35,000 in a bank account. All of his assets were gifts from his famous father, the Florida resident said.

Carson is a professional golfer, according to the Ft. Lauderdale News, a daily paper. A final hearing will be in July.



Johnny Carson's son, Christopher, was ordered to pay child support.



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Tanena Love Green combs her daughter Christal's hair during a meeting with her attorney. She recently won child support from Christopher Carson.



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People Are Talking About...

- * Pop-soul balladeer **Luther Vandross** who recently revealed that his full name is Luther Ronzoni Vandross. "God only knows why she named me Ronzoni," he joked referring to his mother. "She must have been both delirious and *hungry* when she came up with that one."
- * That the picture on the jacket of **Prince's** new single *Sign 'O' The Times* is not Prince, but a member of his new band. The person on the jacket is Prince's new female background singer-dancer named **Kat** who somewhat resembles Prince. Meanwhile, Prince plans to kick off an eight-week European concert tour starting with performances in Stockholm, Sweden in May.
- * **William "The Refrigerator" Perry's** wife **Sherry's** glowing compliment about her famous husband who always finds time to sign autographs for fans. "He's always been that way, concerned for other people," she said. She began dating him when she was 16 and he was 17 and, as one reporter said an icebox weighing 285 pounds, she recalled. "My mother wouldn't let me date him at first. She thought he was crazy. She loves him now."
- * The television debut of "The Cosby Show" co-star **Phylicia Rashad** and her husband NBC sportscaster **Ahmad Rashad's** baby daughter, **Condola Phylea Rashad**. She made her debut on NBC-TV's "Friday Night Videos" which was hosted by the Rashads.
- * **Updates:** Talented actor **Adam Wade**, who hosted the former long-running game show, "Musical Chairs," is co-starring with R&B vocalist-actress **Ruth Brown** in the off-Broadway hit musical *Staggerlee* which is receiving rave reviews. The R&B musical was written and directed by **Vernel Bagneris**, with music and lyric by **Allen Toussaint**. . . Superstar-comic **Richard Pryor** reportedly recently shelled out \$3.5 million for a five-bedroom house in an exclusive area outside of Los Angeles. . . Sultry actress **Vonetta McGee** has signed with Universal Studios to star in an upcoming TV series, "*Bustin' Loose*." **Jimmie Walker** is also slated for the series. . . How the adorable **Keshia Knight Pulliam**, who plays Rudy on "The Cosby Show," won't be seen in the final two episodes this season because she has the chicken pox. Keshia, who turns 8 this week, is expected to join the cast in a couple of weeks.
- * **Celebrating Birthdays:** Jazz pianist-singer **Dorothy Donegan** and actor **Billy Dee Williams**, April 6; jazz musician **Freddie Hubbard**, April 7; jazz vocalist **Carmen McRae**, April 8; "The Cosby Show" actress **Keshia Knight Pulliam** and actor **Nathan Cook**, April 9; legendary jazz musician **Lionel Hampton** and jazz pianist-composer **Herbie Hancock**, April 12.

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ENTERTAINMENT

■ **A Good Cause:** TV's No. 1 actor Bill Cosby and wife Camille attend Boston's grand opening of the new Judge Baker Children's Center now named the Camille H. Cosby Ambulatory Center in honor of Mrs. Cosby. Cosby performed a benefit show for the center as part of Mrs. Cosby's birthday present.

Rites Held In Philadelphia For Opera Singer Stricken During South African Tour



Joy Simpson
lapsed while performing *Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child* and died of a brain hemor-

rhage while performing in South Africa (JET, April 6). She was 40. Services were held recently at Deliverance Evangelistic Church in Philadelphia for Joy Simpson, 40, the opera singer who col-

lapsed while performing in South Africa (JET, April 6). She was 40.

The soprano was singing at Cape Town's City Hall when she collapsed at the feet of orchestra conductor Artemision Paganini. She lapsed into a coma at City Park Hospital, officials said, and never recovered. Her mother, Evelyn Simpson, was at her bedside when she died.

Ms. Simpson had studied at Temple University, the Philadelphia College of the Performing Arts and the Juilliard School of Music in New York.

'We Are The World' Tune, Hands Across America Net \$82.5 Million For Needy

The USA For Africa tune, *We Are The World*, which was penned by superstars Michael Jackson and Lionel Richie, and the Hands Across America projects to aid this country's homeless and hungry have raised \$82.5 million in the last two years. Eight percent of the \$82.5 million will be administered to the needy by May, according to Ken Kraegen, president of the We Are The World Foundation. The *We Are The World* tune has raised \$53 million as of December 31.

Vanessa Williams Expects Baby Later This Year

Former Miss America Vanessa Williams recently announced to JET that she and her husband/manager Ramon Hervey are expecting their first child by this fall. "I'm very excited," she said. "I'm hoping for a very healthy baby." The couple married early in January.

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By Robert E. Johnson
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Jackee Harry, as the sexy Sandra, flirts with a male suitor on "227." Striking a glamorous pose, Jackee says she is enjoying shedding pounds.



JACKEE HARRY Sheds Pounds But Keeps Sex Appeal

Jackee Harry is a full-figured foxy lady with a flair for flirting with fellas on the popular "227" TV show in which she has a starring role.

Although her gorgeous girth as TV's Sandra has caused guys to gladly gawk, she says it has robbed her of roles in movies she wanted to play. So the sultry sitcom star started slimming down.

"Some people like it, but some are saying, 'Oh no, don't lose, it won't be Sandra' or 'Oh girl, that's enough now! Don't lose anymore,'" she pointed out. "But there's no such thing as being on the outside and knowing what is enough. You have to be the person and I know what it looks like for real. I want to get to the point where it's natural so I can eat and be free and I don't have to worry about it."

Her decision to seek an hourglass figure came about last fall when she found out that her size may have caused her to lose out on a couple of movie roles. "Men may like a woman with big thighs and a stomach, but what it did was lose me a couple of parts and I didn't like that," she said. "I was never insecure about my weight, but when I saw myself on television I wanted to be more glamorous and I decided to lose as much as I could and look as good as I could so I could do all the roles

that I could. I don't want to be limited."

Jackee, who has shed 30 pounds without losing her sex appeal, said that before the beginning of "227's" second season, she had atrocious eating habits. "I used to eat desserts like Hostess Twinkies, Ding Dongs anytime I got the urge and just knock them down with a glass of milk," she recalled. "I did it anytime of day or night. I'd get up in the middle of the night and eat Haagen Dazs, bad habits, bad habits. So, now I'll eat early, before 2 p.m. or 3 p.m. at the latest because if you eat early you can work it off the rest of the day and you'll start a gradual weight loss. It has taken me about eight months, but it may take another eight months before it gets to the point where it is looking good outside and in." She has no set diet, but she stays away from bread, pastas and desserts. "I'll eat steaks and things like that, but always before 2 p.m."

Because of Sandra's flirty and sexy image, it has been extremely difficult for Jackee to convince some of the numerous men who want to wine and dine her that she is on a serious mission. "Women like being wined and dined, but I tell them to bring me some flowers and we'll eat early and later on we'll have a salad or something to make them feel like I'm eating with them. I don't worry about it anymore. I may splurge once in a while and get some body to buy me something, but it's usually a bottle of champagne with a salad or something."

In addition to lightening up on the foods, she is using her vacation time from "227" to work out at a L.A. health club and tone up. For the most part, she said, the pounds are falling off in the right places, although with much effort. Unfortunately, her breast size came down a bit. But, she said with a shrug of the shoulder, "I wish I could keep them, but hey, Mother Nature has her way."

Although she is not at all certain how or why the Sandra character caught on so well so quickly with the public, she is grateful nonetheless.

For now, the divorcee is expanding her career and narrowing her figure to elicit even more seductive stares than she already gets.

—ALDORE COLLIER

Jackee exercises and dances regularly to stay in shape.





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—SYLVIA P. FLANAGAN

Bruce Willis (l) goes on a disastrous blind date with Kim Basinger in Blind Date.



JET's **TOP** 20 Albums



Freddie Jackson



Shirley Murdock

Title

Artist and Label

- 1 **JUST LIKE THE FIRST TIME** Freddie Jackson (Capitol)
- 2 **SHIRLEY MURDOCK** Shirley Murdock (Elektra)
- 3 **RAPTURE** Anita Baker (Elektra)
- 4 **GIVE ME A REASON** Luther Vandross (Epic)
- 5 **LOVER BOY** Johnnie Taylor (Malaco)
- 6 **AN IMITATION OF LOVE** Millie Jackson (Jive/RCA)
- 7 **ZAGORA** Loose Ends (MCA)
- 8 **WORD UP** Cameo (PolyGram)
- 9 **LONG TIME COMING** Ready For The World (MCA)
- 10 **ONE HEARTBEAT** Smokey Robinson (Motown)
- 11 **AFTER ALL** Bobby Bland (Malaco)
- 12 **SHEILA E.** Sheila E. (Warner Bros.)
- 13 **JODY WATLEY** Jody Watley (MCA)
- 14 **LIFE, LOVE & PAIN** Club Nouveau (Warner Bros.)
- 15 **DANCING ON THE CEILING** Lionel Richie (Motown)
- 16 **CONTROL** Janet Jackson (A&M)
- 17 **2 LIVE CREW IS WHAT WE ARE** 2 Live Crew (Luke Skywalker)
- 18 **LIVE IN L.A.** Maze Featuring Frankie Beverly (Capitol)
- 19 **LUTHER INGRAM** Luther Ingram (Profile)
- 20 **KING OF STAGE** Bobby Brown (MCA)

JET's **TOP** 20 Singles

Title	Artist and Label
1 AS WE LAY	Shirley Murdock (Elektra)
2 CANDY	Cameo (PolyGram)
3 LOVE IS A DANGEROUS GAME	Millie Jackson (Jive/RCA)
4 6	Mad House (Paisley Park)
5 COME SHARE MY LOVE	Miki Howard (Atlantic)
6 HAVE YOU EVER LOVED SOMEBODY	Freddie Jackson (Capitol)
7 LET'S WAIT AWHILE	Janet Jackson (A&M)
8 LOOKING FOR A NEW LOVE	Jody Watley (MCA)
9 I KNEW YOU WERE WAITING (FOR ME)	Aretha Franklin & George Michael (Arista)
10 THERE'S NOTHING BETTER THAN LOVE	Luther Vandross & Gregory Hines (Epic)
11 SIGN "O" THE TIMES	Prince (Paisley Park)
12 I GOT THE FELLIN' (IT'S OVER)	Gregory Abbott (Columbia)
13 FALLING	Melba Moore (Capitol)
14 VICTORY	Kool & The Gang (Mercury)
15 SLOW DOWN	Loose Ends (MCA)
16 GIRL FRIEND	Bobby Brown (MCA)
17 HOW DO YOU STOP	James Brown (Scotti Bros.)
18 ALWAYS	Atlantic Starr (Warner Bros.)
19 GO ON WITHOUT YOU	Shirley Murdock (Elektra)
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Mario Van Peebles on "LA Law," (Thursday, April 9 at 10 p.m., ET) on NBC.

Al Green on "Joan Rivers Show,"

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Natasha Bobo on "Nothing is Easy," (Friday, April 10 at 8 p.m., ET) on CBS.

Blair Underwood on "Downtown," (Saturday, April 11 at 8 p.m., ET) on CBS.

Kim Fields on "The Facts of Life," (Saturday, April 11 at 8 p.m., ET) on NBC.

Marla Gibbs/Hal Williams/Jackee Harry/Alaina Reed on "227," (Saturday, April 11 at 8:30 p.m., ET) on NBC.

Garrett Morris on "Hunter," (Saturday, April 11 at 10 p.m., ET) on NBC.

Avery Brooks on "Spenser: For Hire," (Saturday, April 11 at 10 p.m., ET) on ABC.

Anita Baker on "Saturday Night Live," (Saturday, April 11 at 11:30 p.m., ET) on NBC.

Tisha Campbell on "Rags to Riches," (Sunday, April 12 at 8 p.m., ET) on NBC.

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